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Restrictions imposed by S. Rhodesia RR

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Gazette of the Madras Legislative Council Section, 6-11-35.

Starred question.

(1) [illegible]

(2) [illegible]

*152. Will the Hon. the Minister for Courts and Prisons be pleased to state--

(a) what restrictions have recently been imposed by the South Kanara District Traffic Board on the laden weight of lorries and their routes;

(b) how far the traffic in the district has ~~not~~ to and from Mysore has suffered and is likely to suffer as a result of the restrictions;

(c) whether the restrictions have been found necessary on account of the defects in the roads, bridges and culverts;

(d) if so, whether the District Board of South Kanara has formulated a scheme for the replacement of the bridges and culverts found defective and what will be the cost of the scheme;

(e) what grant the District Board has asked for in order to meet the required expenditure; and

(f) what amount Government are disposed to sanction?

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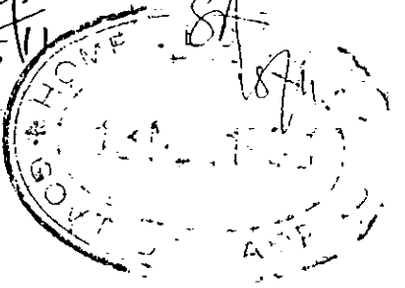

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Memo 39188 B-1
21/11/38

L. C. Qn— Motor Vehicles— Lorries — S. Kanara Dt— Restrictions imposed on ~~Regarding~~ the laden weight and Routes.

The R. T. Board, S. Kana is requested to furnish urgently the following information:—

(a) whether restrictions have recently been imposed by it in the matter of the routes along which lorries may ~~are permitted to~~ run in the district; and

(b) how far the traffic in the district to and from Mysore has suffered and is likely to suffer as a result of the restrictions imposed by it on the ~~Regarding~~ ~~Routes and~~ the laden weight of lorries and on their routes, if any.

Clauses (a) and (b) on p/c

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To
The Secy, R. T. Board
S. Kanara

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R.C.No.1851/M.V./38. Office of the Road Traffic Board, S.Kanara

Mangalore, dated 23rd November 1938.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY 25 NOV 1938 HOME DEPARTMENT

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From

Khan Saheb M. Ziauddin Saheb Bahadur, B.A.,

Secretary, Road Traffic Board, South Kanara.

To

The Secretary to Government,

Home Department, Madras.

Sir,

Ref:- Memorandum No.39188 B-1 Home Department dated 21st November 1938.

As per the recommendation of the President, District Board, South Kanara and the District Board Engineer, South Kanara, lorries are permitted only on ten roads. A list of these roads is attached.

2. The restriction on routes does not effect traffic to and from Mysore state; as all the important routes to and from Mysore are included in the list of ten routes open for lorry traffic.

3. As regards the restrction on laden weight the owners of vehicles have to use more suitable vehicles and traffic is not likely to suffer thereby.

M. Ziauddin

Secretary, Road Traffic Board,
South Kanara.

Copy to the Secretary, Central Road Traffic Boards, Chepauk, Madras.

NAMES OF ROADS ON WICH GOODS VEHICLES ARE PERMITTED TO RUN.

1. Mangalore - Mercara Trunk road No.A16.

2. Mangalore - Mysore (Charmady) Trunk road No.A.22.

3. Manjarbad - (Mangalore - Shirady) Ghat road - No.2X.

4. Kalladka - Kanhangad - No. 3 from 19/1 to 52/4.

5. Mangalore - Agumbe - No.5 from 2/5 to 57/8.

6. Udipi - Karkal - No.XX.13.

7. Miriadka - Hebri -- No.14.

8. Sithanadi - Brahmawar -- No.15.

9. Hosangady Ghat Road No.18 (Kandlur - Shiddapur - Hosangadi road)

10. Mangalore Coast Road No.12 (North - Mangalore - Moolky - Udipi - Coondapur - Byndoor - along the coast.)

Mangalore,
Dated 23-11-1938.

for Secretary, Road Traffic Board,
South Kanara.

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HOME (B) DEPARTMENT.

13/12/38

Legislative Council Question.

No.182 - Starred.

Mr. J. A. Saldanha.

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Question

Will the Hon. the Minister for Courts and Prisons be pleased to state--

(a) what restrictions have recently been imposed by the South Kanara District Traffic Board on the laden weight of lorries and their routes;

(b) how far the traffic in the district to and from Mysore has --- suffered and is likely to suffer as a result of the restrictions;

(c) whether the restrictions have been found necessary on account of the defects in the roads, bridges and culverts;

Draft Answer.

Clause (a).- The South Kanara Road Traffic Board has restricted the laden weight of lorries to 80 cwts., and has restricted lorry traffic to 10 roads in the South Kanara District.

Clause (b).- The restriction as to the routes does not affect traffic to and from Mysore, as all the important routes to and from the Mysore State are included in the 10 roads open to lorry traffic. The restriction on the laden weight may affect traffic and the matter is now under consideration.

Clause (c).- The answer is in the affirmative.

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Question	Draft answer.
(d) if so, whether the District Board of South Kanara has formulated a scheme for the replacement of the bridges and culverts found defective and what will be the cost of the scheme;	
(e) what grant the District Board has asked for in order to meet the required expenditure; and	Clauses (d) & (e).- The District Board has applied for a grant of Rs.55,250 towards a total sum of Rs.94,250 to be spent on the re-construction of six bridges and one culvert.
(f) what amount Government are disposed to sanction.	Clause (f).- The application is under consideration in connection with the Budget Estimate for 1939-40.

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ANSWER.

Clause (a).- The South [illegible] Traffic Board has restricted the [illegible] of lorries to 10 cwts., and has restricted lorry traffic to 10 roads in the [illegible] District.

Clause (b).- The restriction as to the routes does not affect through traffic from [illegible], as all the important routes to and from the [illegible] are included in the 10 roads open to lorry traffic. The restriction on the load might affect traffic and the matter is now under consideration.

Clause (c).- The answer is in the affirmative.

Clause (d) & (e).- The District Board has applied for a grant of Rs.5,000/- towards a total cost of Rs.94250 to be spent on the reconstruction of six bridges and one culvert.

Clause (f).- The application is under consideration in connection with the Budget Estimate for 1939-40.

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[illegible] Rs. [illegible]
[illegible] the Legislature [illegible] & secretary to [illegible]

[illegible], [illegible] and Legislature, (Transfer Section).

(The above answer was later approved by the Public Prosecutor and Govt. Pleader (Civil).

Extract of the Legislative Council Proceedings
28-1-39

STARRED QUESTIONS

Restrictions imposed by South Kanara District Traffic Board on lorry traffic.

138 *Q.*—MR. J. A. SALDANHA: Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state—

(*a*) what restrictions have recently been imposed by the South Kanara District Traffic Board on the laden weight of lorries and their routes;

(*b*) how far the traffic in the district to and from Mysore has suffered and is likely to suffer as a result of the restrictions;

(*c*) whether the restrictions have been found necessary on account of the defects in the roads, bridges and culverts;

(*d*) if so, whether the District Board of South Kanara has formulated a scheme for the replacement of the bridges and culverts found defective and what will be the cost of the scheme;

(*e*) what grant the District Board has asked for in order to meet the required expenditure; and

(*f*) what amount Government are disposed to sanction?

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"(*a*) The South Kanara Road Traffic Board has restricted the laden weight of lorries to 80 cwt. and has restricted lorry traffic to ten roads in the South Kanara district.

(*b*) The restriction as to the routes does not affect traffic to and from Mysore, as all the important routes to and from the Mysore State are included in the ten roads open to lorry traffic. The restriction on the laden weight may affect traffic and the matter is now under consideration.

(*c*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*d*) & (*e*) The district board has applied for a grant of Rs. 55,250 towards a total sum of Rs. 94,250 to be spent on the reconstruction of six bridges and one culvert.

(*f*) The application is under consideration in connexion with the Budget Estimate for 1939–40."

MR. J. A. SALDANHA:—"May I enquire, Sir, what is the amount that the district board wants for the development of the roads and bridges, for I did not hear the Hon. Minister properly."

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"The district board applied for a grant of Rs. 94,250 and they want a grant towards that of Rs. 55,250 from the Government."

MR. J. A. SALDANHA:—"May I know the amount that the Government are disposed to sanction?"

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"I have already stated that the matter is under consideration with regard to the preparation of the budget for 1939–40."

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Madras Legis. No. II 3—506—20-5-38.

SECRETARIAT OF THE MADRAS LEGISLATURE,

Fort St. George, dated the 14th Nov 1938

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QUESTION No. 182 for the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on the 12th Dec. 1938

Two copies of this question are forwarded to the Home Department.

The question has been admitted.

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To

The Home Department.

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The Question is Stared:

2 Clause (a) of the Question

The Road Traffic Board S. Kanara has restricted the laden weight of lorries running in the dt. to 80 cwts.

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As regards the routes, there is no information as to whether the lorries have been restricted to make use of certain roads or routes only. ~~The speed limit~~ of the lorries making use of the roads in this district has been restricted to 15 miles; lent on a representation from the lorry owners of the district, the Central Road Traffic Board has set aside this restriction ~~on speed~~. For orders whether the R.T. Board may be asked to furnish the information.

para 2 and p 2 of (U) in Lr. dt. 12.

5 cm p 25 of the Lr. file (C 33602)

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Clause (b) of the Question

No information is available here. For orders whether it may be called for.

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Clause (c) of the Question

It has been reported by the Dt. Bd. Engineer S. Kanara that most of the old bridges and culverts in the district are

quite unsafe for heavy traffic and that some others, though showing no outward signs of weakness, are on calculations ~~are~~ unfit for modern standard of loading. Please see the remarks of the D.M., S. Kanara in paras 3 to 5 on pp 1-2 ~~20-21~~ (O) in ~~limited file~~ -

The Central Road Traffic Board has been separately asked to ascertain and report whether the restriction regarding laden weight of lorries may be increased to 5 or 5 1/2 tons. provided the speed is restricted at the weaker culverts and bridges.

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2. ~~Subject to orders~~ After orders are passed on the above clauses ~~a draft answer is submitted for consideration.~~ The file may be sent to L. A. dept with reference to clauses (d) to (f) of the Question. — Vide Instruction 50 on p. 36 of Business Rules.

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Reference A & B and P. L. note Pl. put up a draft to R.T. Bd.

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A draft is submitted for

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approval. After issue, the file may be sent to L.A. dept. with reference to clauses (d) to (f) of the Question.

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L.A. Dept.

Please see clauses (d) to (f) of the Legislative Council question.

~~A scheme for the replacement of bridges & culverts found defective has been received by the grant from the South Kanara St Bd~~

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LOCAL ALFAIRS

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The D. Board South Kanara, in its application for grant for 1939-40 has requested govt grant in carrying out 8 works of construction and reconstruction of culverts and bridges, at an estimated total cost of Rs. 97,470. The grant applied for by the board in these works was Rs 48,470.

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Only 7 of these relate to reconstruction. The cost of these is Rs 94250 & the grant asked for is Rs 55,250.

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Of these ~~~~ three items, involving a grant of Rs 17,860 have been noted for inclusion in the part II scheme. A list of the items is put up.

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The file may be returned to the Home Deptt. with the above information

To Gl Asst Secretary 30/11

Draft answers to clauses (d) to (f) are respectfully below.

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From the Secy., R.T. Board, S. Kanara, Rep. 186/HV/38, dt. 21.11.1938.

Home (B) deptt

Please see the note of L.A deptt from p4 ante. A draft answer is submitted for consideration.

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to (P.I).

Pl. note and return

Please see the extract from the Legislative Council proceedings dy 28.1.39 at p 8cf. No further action is called for. The papers may be recorded.

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L. C. Q - January 1939 - M-V - Restrictions imposed by the S. Kanara Dr. ~~Dr~~. R-T Board on lorry traffic - Papers recorded.

List of works in South Kanara dist. for which budget 15 grants in 1939-40 have been applied for

Name of work.	Total estimated cost.	Government share of the cost according to any general or special orders that may be applicable to the case.
TRUNK ROADS		
1. Reconstructing the bridge Yelmudy bridge in 31/5 of Mangalore Mercara Trunk Road No.A.16	5,500	5,500
2. Reconstructing the culvert in 64/4 of Road No.A.16	10,750	10,750
IMPORTANT MARKETING AND SECOND CLASS ROADS		
3. Constructing a culvert in 54/4 (old 54/3) of coast road No.22 south	3,220	3,220 only half grant admissible
4. Reconstructing the Jadkal Bridge in mile 8/2 of Road No.20	40,000	20,000
5. Reconstructing the damaged bridge in 8/6 of Bantwal Mudabidri road No.ii	9,000	4,500
6. Reconstructing the damaged bridge in 10/7 of Road No. ii	7,000	3,500
OTHER ROADS.		
7 Reconstructing the Kallakatta bridge in 0/6 of Road No.6 B	15,000	7,500
8. -do- Kamblabettu in 2/4 of Road. No.6-B	7,000	3,500
	~~91,250~~ ~~32220~~	~~55,250~~ ~~32220~~

Items 1, 2 & 3 noted ~~9747~~ 5847 for consideration in Part II budget for 1939-40

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South Kanara Dt.Magistrate's Office,
Mangalore, 16th October 1938.

From

Sri Rao Bahadur . V. Vellodi, B.A.,
District Magistrate of South Kanara.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Home Department, Madras.

Sir,

Motor Vehicles - Lorries - Speed and load restrictions - report submitted.

Government Memo.No.33802 B-1 dated 5-10-1938.

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In this district, prior to 1-4-1938, the speed limit for lorries in this district was 15 miles per hour in towns, villages and in places where the view ahead is obstructed and 25 miles per hour in other places. The maximum laden weight allowed was 70-110 cwts.

2. The Road Traffic Board at its meeting held on 26-5-1938 fixed the speed limit at 15 miles per hour and reduced the laden weight limit to 80 cwts. at its meeting dated 30-6-1938.

3. The speed limit was so fixed generally to prevent accidents and more especially as the District Board Engineer reported that most of the old bridges and culverts in the district are quite x unsafe for heavy traffic. He submitted a list of 406 weak bridges and culverts and gave it as his opinion that lorries should not be allowed to ply at more than 10 miles an hour. As however, the bridges and culverts specified by the District Board Engineer are too numerous and spaced at short distances, a uniform speed of 15 miles per hour was fixed.

As regards the limit of laden weight, it was fixed at 80 cwts. owing to the opinion of the District Board Engineer who stated that some of the old culverts and bridges are not in a very safe condition and that some others though showing no outward signs of weakness or failure, are on calculations found to be unfit for modern standards of loading. He gave it as his considered opinion that lorries should not be allowed

to carry 8 tons. In view of this opinion the Board resolved to restore the load limit to 6½ cwts. in regard to lorries.

4. The lorry owners objecting to these restrictions and the Board's decision to be resolved to restore the old limit of 10 cwts. on rural roads only: but the District Engineer is not agreed. The matter has been referred to the Ministry, District Board. An inspection was to be made on 15-8-1938 during the period of 6½ cwts. limit to verify conditions then existing.

5. The Board has also been asked to fix these limits on the Board's roads. The decision of the District Engineer [illegible] be endorsed [illegible] permit [illegible] by lorries.

6. [illegible] there is no way of accommodating [illegible] lorry owners. [illegible] complaints in the matter of the load limit [illegible] only very occasionally do lorry owners really do what they like. [illegible] follow a laden motor lorry for over a mile and have to do about 35 m.p.h. to overtake it!

7. I have made special mention of the lorry transport problem in offering my remarks on the Administration Report of the South Kildare District Council. The following is the relevant paragraph of that report:-

"In my remarks on the Administration Report of the District Board for 1936-37, I had occasion to suggest that a planned re-building of the innumerable culverts and small bridges in the district was necessary. I do not see such an indication in the report under review and I do not think that the matter has been considered in the budget for 1938-39. There is a keen rivalry among the merchants to improve trade by utilising up-to-date methods of transport, and motor lorries have been penetrating into the interior of the district, thus making it easier for the producer to sell his commodities. It is good

for the material prosperity of the district as a whole to encourage such efforts. The South Kanara Agriculturists' Co-operative Wholesale Society and its branches, for example, market produce worth more than four lakhs of Rupees. All coffee produced in Coorg and in several districts of Mysore comes to Mangalore. There is considerable traffic in other commodities also. The Co-operative Society mentioned above has requested me to allow lorry transport on all second class roads. The District Board, South Kanara, has not only not been able to encourage this facility but it has been forced to the necessity of moving the Traffic Board to restrict lorry transport to trunk roads; and, on the representation of the District Board Engineer, the District Traffic Board has found it necessary to reduce the laden weight of motor lorries to four tons. The situation, therefore, is getting serious. The financial condition of the District Board does not allow of any wholesale re-building of culverts; but, if such a course is not adopted, expansion of trade would certainly receive a set-back. In as much as the reconstruction of the bridges and the culverts is for the benefit of the public at large, it seems to me that the District Board will be justified in raising funds by imposing a road cess."

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Copy of the letter from the Secretary, Road Traffic Board, South Kanara, No.R.C.1874/M.V./38 dated the 30th November 1938 to the Secretary to Government, Home Department, Madras.

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Sub: Legislative Assembly Questions - Motor Vehicles - South Kanara District - restrictions imposed.

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Ref: Government Memorandum No.39596-B-1 dated 25-11-38.

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Replies to the questions referred to in the above Government Memorandum are given below:-

(a) The President, District Board, has closed the following roads and culverts for :-

1. Entire Motor Traffic:-

   (i) Mudubidri-Guruvainkere road No.10A from 30-7-1938 to 30-9-1938

   (ii) Bridge at mile 79/7 on Mangalore-Baindur-North Kanara Frontier, Road No.22 from 9-10-39 until further notification.

2. Bus and Lorry traffic:-

   Hosangady Bridge at mile 5/7 of road No.10-A, Mudabidri-Guruvainkere, from 16-9-38 until further notification.

3. Bus traffic.

   (i) Mudubidri-Bantwal road, until culverts at miles 8/6 and 10/7 are reconstructed.

   (ii) A list of roads on which Bus traffic is permitted is enclosed.

   (iii) On the recommendation of the President, District Board, South Kanara, the following bus routes were closed for bus traffic from 1st September 1938 by the Road Traffic Board.

   (a) Karkal-Miyar-Hosmar-Mudabidri,
   (b) Karkal-Miyar-Hosmar-Naravi-Belthangady,
   (c) Bramhavar-Barkur-Coondapur.

4. Lorry Traffic.

   (i) A list of roads on which lorries are permitted to run is enclosed.

   (ii) Padupeta road within the Udipi Municipality has been closed for lorry traffic on the recommendation of the Udipi Municipality as the road is narrow.

   (b) The cause is the frequent break down of culverts and bridges, and fitness of roads to bear the bus and lorry traffic.

   (c) Vide reply to (a). Further intimation has not been received from the President, District Board, South Kanara.

(d)

(d) As regards allowing of lorry traffic on some more routes, in addition to the ten already permitted, the President intimates that he has been authorized by the District Board, South Kanara, to prepare a list of roads. No further intimation has been received from him.

HOME (B) DEPARTMENT.

Legislative Council Question No.182 (Starred).

Mr. J. A. Saldanha.

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Question.	Answer.
*182. Will the Hon. the Minister for Courts and Prisons be pleased to state:-	
(a) what restrictions have recently been imposed by the South Kanara District Traffic Board on the laden weight of lorries and their routes;	Clause (a) The laden weight of lorries making use of the roads in S. Kanara District has been restricted to 80 cwts. The Government have no information as regards restriction on routes in this district.
(b) how far the traffic in the district to and from Mysore has suffered and is likely to suffer a a result of the restrictions;	Clause (b). The Govt. have no information.
(c) whether the restrictions have been found necessary on account of the defects in the roads, bridges and culverts;	Clause (c) The restriction regarding load has been imposed on account of the unsafe condition of the bridges and culverts for heavy traffic.
(d) if so, whether the District Board of South Kanara has formulated a scheme for the replacement of the bridges and culverts found defective and what will be the cost of the scheme.	(d) + (e). The Dt. Bd. has applied for a grant of Rs 55,250 for the

reconstruction of six bridges and one culvert estimated to cost Rs 94,250.

(e) what grant the District Board has asked for in order to meet the required expenditure; and

(f) what amount Government are disposed to sanction.

(f). An application is under consideration in connection with the Budget Estimate for 1939-40.

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